#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## In re Application of:

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For: BANK NOTE PROCESSING MACHINE AND METHOD FOR

**IDENTIFYING FORGED BANK NOTES** 

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 22, 2008

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

#### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the outstanding Office action dated December 22, 2008 in the above-identified application. In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

## **AMENDMENT**

## In the Drawings

An amendment to the drawings is found on the appended pages under the heading REPLACEMENT SHEET.

# In the Specification

An amendment to the specification is found on the appended pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION.